

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES – FISCAL ESTIMATE**1. Fiscal Estimate Version**
☒ Original ☐ Updated ☐ Corrected
2. Administrative Rule Chapter Title and Number

Chapter DHS 138, Subsidy of Health Insurance Premiums for Person with HIV Infection

3. Subject

To revise ch. DHS 138 to reflect changes to s. 252.17, Stats. made by 1999 Wisconsin Act 103 and changes made to s. 252.16 and s. 252.17 made by 2009 Wisconsin Act 28.

4. State Fiscal Effect:☐ No Fiscal Effect☒ Indeterminate☐ Increase Existing Revenues☐ Decrease Existing Revenues☒ Increase Costs☒ Yes☐ No

May be possible to absorb within agency's budget.

☐ Decrease Costs**5. Fund Sources Affected:**
☒ GPR ☒ FED ☐ PRO ☐ PRS ☐ SEG ☐ SEG-S
6. Affected Ch. 20, Stats. Appropriations:

account at s. 20.435 (1) (am), Stats.

7. Local Government Fiscal Effect:☒ No Fiscal Effect☐ Indeterminate☐ Increase Revenues☐ Decrease Revenues☐ Increase Costs☐ Decrease Costs**8. Local Government Units Affected:**
☐ Towns ☐ Villages ☐ Cities ☐ Counties ☐ School Districts ☐ WTCS Districts ☐ Others:
9. Private Sector Fiscal Effect (small businesses only):☒ No Fiscal Effect☐ Indeterminate☐ Increase Revenues☐ Decrease Revenues☐ Yes☐ No

May have significant economic impact on a substantial number of small businesses

☐ Increase Costs☐ Yes☐ No

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☐ Decrease Costs**10. Types of Small Businesses Affected:**

Any business that offers employer based health insurance that is the employer or former employer of a program participant.

11. Fiscal Analysis Summary

These rules are amended to establish a 3% annual premium contribution schedule for individuals on unpaid medical leave who have a family income that exceeds 200% but does not exceed 300% of the federal poverty level (FPL). The rules are also amended to include “domestic partner” in the definition of “dependent” and to allow for payment of a participant’s health insurance premiums even if a domestic partner is also covered on the health insurance policy. These changes will impact only a small number of insurance program participants and will result in minimal cost increases to the Department that can be absorbed in the program budget.

During 2009 only 56 of 683 insurance program participants indicated on their application that they were living with a partner. Among these 56 individuals, only 2 (<1% of total program clients) had health

insurance policies with family coverage. The increased cost to the Department for these individuals is the difference between the cost of an individual premium and the cost of a family premium. Also during 2009 only 4 of 683 (<1%) Insurance Program participants received program assistance while they were on an unpaid medical leave. None of them had income greater than 200% of FPL. These unpaid leaves are short-term, usually lasting 3 to 6 months and the cost associated with them is minimal compared to overall program costs.

12. Long-Range Fiscal Implications

None-known.

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